

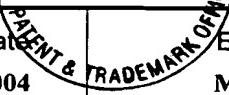
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
 (Small Entity)

Docket No.
 A-8905

In Re Application Of:

Howard LOWE

SEP 01 2004



Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
10/763,218	01/26/2004	M. Nguyen	20741	3754	6564

Invention:

SHUT-OFF VALVE ASSEMBLY

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 04/30/2004 in the above-identified application.

Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: 06/30/2004 *Date* until: 09/30/2004 *Date*

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

The fee for the extension of time is \$475 and is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-2455
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 08-2455
- Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.


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